

1 **ABSTRACT**

2 A computer-aided reading system offers assistance to a user who is reading
3 in a non-native language, as the user needs help, without requiring the user to
4 divert attention away from the text. In one implementation, the reading system is
5 implemented as a reading wizard for a browser program. The reading wizard is
6 exposed via a graphical user interface (UI) that allows the user to select a word,
7 phrase, sentence, or other grouping of words in the non-native text, and view a
8 translation of the selected text in the user's own native language. The translation
9 is presented in a window or pop-up box located near the selected text to minimize
10 distraction.

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